

Las Vegas Urban Area Working Group (UAWG)

PUEBLO ROOM
CLARK COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
500 S. GRAND CENTRAL PKWY
LAS VEGAS NV 89106

FINAL MINUTES

Wednesday November 13, 2013 11:00 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

UAWG MEMBERS PRESENT:

FERNANDEZ LEARY, MICHAEL JOHNSON, CAROLYN LEVERING, RYAN TURNER, JANE SHUNNEY, JOHN HIGLEY

UAWG ALTERNATES PRESENT:

JIM SEEBOCK

UAWG MEMBERS ABSENT:

RAY KESSLER, NICOLE HART, KEVIN NICHOLSON, PAUL GERNER, RICK DIEBOLD, CHRIS SPROULE

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Fernandez Leary, UAWG Chairman called the meeting to order at 11:04 A.M. on Wednesday November 13, 2013. Quorum present.

II. Public Comments

- Ryan Turner announced that Bud Marshal was in a terrible motorcycle accident day before yesterday. He detailed the extent of his injuries and provided his contact information for the hospital he is in at this time and the fact that he is able to receive visitors.

III. Approval of the August 2013 Minutes.

Motion, by Carolyn Levering: To accept the minutes as recorded.

Seconded, by John Higley.

No discussion, motion carried.

IV. Comments from the Chair

No comments

V. Review and Approve Project Change Request in the amount of \$103,000.00 for UASI.SNCTCFUSIONFFY11

Jim Seebok, Lt LVMPD, presented that The Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center, (SNCTC), is requesting a project change request for FY11. The SNCTC is requesting to shift money overage of \$38,000 from the completed PERFusion 5-Outreach Campaign project, and \$34,000 from leftover travel funds and apply it to an existing budget line item for Analytical Software line. Additionally, the SNCTC is requesting to move all remaining funds in the Software Purchase line item of approximately \$31,000 and apply it to the same Analytical Software line.

Motion, by Jane Shunney: To approve change request as submitted.

Seconded, by Carolyn Levering.

No discussion, motion carried.

VI. Review and Approve Project Change Request in the amount of \$100,000.00 for UASI.SNCTCFUSIONFFY12

Jim Seebock, Lt LVMPD, presented that The Southern Nevada Counter Terrorism Center, (SNCTC), is requesting a project change request for FY12. The SNCTC is requesting to shift money overage of \$100,000 from a completed software/information sharing project (Coplink) and shift that money to existing budget line items. The movement would be for \$80,000 for software-Fusion Core and \$20,000 for Behavior Detection and Observation training.

Motion, by Jane Shunney: To approve change request.

Seconded, by John Higley.

No discussion, motion carried.

VII. Citizen Corp Council

- Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Bill Smith reported that in September the statewide ARES in partnership with the MARS system did what they called a simulated emergency test. The scenario was a complete internet outage that was statewide. The intention was to test their alerting and communications capabilities to ARES organizations throughout the state as well as DEM who had their HAM station active. There were good results with HFVoice communications, they could not use their VoIP linked repeater system across the state so it forced them to go to high frequency short wave communications. Voice wise it worked out very well as they were able to contact DEM and Washoe County REOC. What this exercise proved to them was that they needed better a system for HF communications, specifically data communications much like what they have in packet radio on VHF and UHF, the software is out there and this demonstrated it was the way to go for reliable communications. Bill stated that the problem is building the infrastructure across the state and the software for the HAMS to get familiar with.

This was a good test where a lot was learned.

- Community Emergency Response Team

Carolyn Levering reported on behalf of Rick Diebold. Carolyn stated that there was not much to report other than to provide an alert to recent guidance interpretations in grant guidance. She stated that many are aware that there was a dedicated funding stream for Citizen Corp. programs and that this was eliminated in fiscal year 2011. Carolyn further advised that in the pursuant guidance they were told, in fact encouraged, to continue to conduct citizen corp related programs as though they had dedicated funding streams through the SHSP and UASI grant funds. Because of that direction they have been going about their business purchasing materials etc. Recently Carolyn stated that they have been advised that certain items they were interested in purchasing were no longer considered eligible expenses because there was no direct tie or nexus to terrorism, although these materials would have been previously allowed under Citizen Corp. Carolyn went on to discuss the inconsistent message from DEM about eligible v. ineligible materials and the Feds recent statements as well. She detailed the number of people she has been in contact with in the Delegation as well as the IAEM. Carolyn advised this is all pending at this time but that it will be interesting to know if each FEMA region is handing down the same message. This is extremely problematic as the materials that have always been allowed no longer meet the requirement, making all of the hazards outside of terrorism ineligible for further ordering.

Much discussion ensued amongst the group about the importance of these materials and the negative impact that it would have on the community as far as no longer receiving educational materials on preparedness for all hazards not just terrorism.

Jim Seebock asked the Chair to remain informed as information develops on this issue.

- Medical Reserve Corps
Paula Martel reported that they are at the end of a three month run on every weekend community events specifically with flu season and back to school.

Paula mentioned the TB investigation at Summerlin Hospital, as well as Coronado High School. She explained how the program volunteers assisted the Health District with notifications and how impressive the volunteers were in demonstrating great compassion. At Coronado High School, volunteers will be helping to staff first aid stations at the blood draw clinics.

Paula mentioned how appreciative they are to have the support from Dr. Iser. She further advised that the volunteers are excited to be involved with staffing the medical tents for New Years Eve this year, and that they have also recently provided "shooters" for North Las Vegas to administer flu vaccines.

- Neighborhood Watch
Jason Moyer reported that they have 1,517 programs in the jurisdiction.
- Volunteer In Police Service
Jason Moyer reported 458 volunteers with nearly 27,000 hours volunteer service in this last quarter. During this quarter just over 1100 handicap citations issued, 61 traffic call outs and almost 40,000 in visitor contacts.

VIII. Public Comments

- George Molnar reported the ICS 300/400 class schedule has been put out thanks to LVMPD.
- John Higley advised the Mesquite PD/FD has applied for some of the recent 2013 deobligated funds from DHS in order to purchase more radios. He requested everyone's support.
- The Chair mentioned NYE and CCOEM. He advised that the MACC would be stood up but not staffed.
- The Chair announced his retirement date and his new position with Red Cross.

Next Regularly Scheduled UAWG meeting: February 12, 11:00 AM CCGC Pueblo Room

IX. Adjournment

Motion, by Jane Shunney: To adjourn

Seconded, by Mike Johnson.

No discussion, motioned carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40AM

In accordance to Nevada's Open Meeting Law, this meeting was properly posted and electronically recorded.